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**U.S. INDICTS WHITE PLAINS MAN  
FOR ARMED ROBBERY OF AN ARDSLEY BANK**

DAVID N. KELLEY, the United States Attorney for the Southern District of New York, announced that RASHEIM CARLTON was indicted today on charges that he participated in the May 28, 2004, armed robbery of the Wachovia Bank in Ardsley, New York.

As alleged in the three-count Indictment and at a July 21, 2004, hearing before United States District Judge STEPHEN C. ROBINSON for violation of CARLTON's supervised release from a prior conviction, CARLTON committed the armed robbery of a Wachovia Bank, located in Ardsley, New York with three other individuals. The robbers wore hoods, masks and gloves and stole approximately \$42,000. Shortly after the robbery, CARLTON made a tape-recorded statement to a witness in which CARLTON made incriminating statements, it was charged. Several days later, while additional evidence was being gathered, CARLTON allegedly approached the witness with the idea of committing another bank robbery. CARLTON was then arrested and ordered detained. He formerly lived in White Plains, New York.

After CARLTON's July 21, 2004, hearing for violation of supervised release, Judge ROBINSON found the evidence of his role in the robbery sufficient to determine that the terms of his supervised release were violated. On February 16, 2005, Judge ROBINSON sentenced CARLTON to a term of imprisonment of 35 months, to be followed by 25 months of supervised release. CARLTON is currently serving that sentence.

In the current Indictment, CARLTON is charged with: one count of bank robbery, which carries, upon conviction, a maximum of 20 years in prison and a maximum fine of \$250,000 or twice the gross gain or loss resulting from the offense; one count of bank robbery using a dangerous weapon, which carries, upon conviction, a maximum of 25 years in prison and a maximum fine of \$250,000 or twice the gross gain or loss resulting from the offense; and one count of using and carrying a firearm during and in relation to the bank robbery, which carries, upon conviction, a minimum term of imprisonment of 25 years in prison and a maximum fine of \$250,000 or twice the gross gain or loss resulting from the offense.

Mr. KELLEY praised the investigative efforts of the Federal Bureau of Investigation and the Ardsley, New York, Police Department.

Assistant United States Attorney DAN DORSKY is in charge of the prosecution.

The charges contained in the Indictment are merely accusations, and the defendant is presumed innocent unless and until proven guilty.

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